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In re Application of:

SASAKI, et al.

Application No.: to be assigned

Filing Date: September 26, 2003

For: Method Of Producing Seamless Steel Tubes

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to issuance of the first official action, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

After the title, please insert

--This application is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP03/00751, filed January 27, 2003. This PCT application was not in English as published under PCT Article 21(2)--.

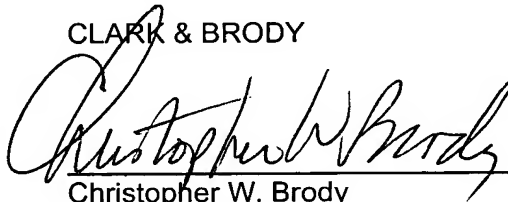
**REMARKS**

This amendment is submitted to add parent application information. No new matter is contained in the amendment.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

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